

**FIRE & WATER COMMITTEE MINUTES
JANUARY 21, 2014**

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**WALMER SCHMIDTKE
DON THOMPSON
ED HAGNAUER
PAUL JACKSTADT**

**BILL DAVIS
JUDY WHITAKER
BRIAN KONZEN
GERALD WILLIAMS**

ALDERMAN SCHMIDTKE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

SCHMIDTKE TURNED THE MEETING OVER TO CHIEF CONNOLLY TO DISCUSS THE DECOMMISSION OF A FIRE TRUCK AND AN AMBULANCE, AND THE INCREASE OF AMBULANCE RATES.

CONNOLLY STATED THAT WE HAVE A 1973 FIRE ENGINE AND A 2000 AMBULANCE THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO DECOMMISSION AND SELL TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER.

MOTION BY SCHMIDTKE, SECOND BY SIMPSON TO ALLOW THE DECOMMISSION AND SALE OF THE FIRE ENGINE AND THE AMBULANCE. MOTION CARRIED.

CONNOLLY STATED THAT NEXT IS THE PROPOSED RATE INCREASES OF AMBULANCE RATES. EVERYONE HAS THE PROPOSED RATE INCREASES AND THE CURRANT AMBULANCE RATE FOR THE CITY AND OTHER SURROUNDING CITIES. RATES HAVE NOT BEEN RAISED IN FOUR YEARS WE SUGGEST THE RATE BE RAISE 25% TO JUST TO TRY TO COVER THE COSTS.

COMPTROLLER ONEY STATED WHY NOT TRY INCREASING THE RATES 15%, THEN 5%, THEN ANOTHER 5% A TOTAL OF 25%.

MAYOR STATED THAT THE RATE SEEMS A LITTLE HIGH, AND HE SUGGESTED THAT WE TAKE THE AVERAGE PRICE AND MAYBE ADD 5% TO THAT.

SCHMIDTKE STATED THAT WE SHOULD TABLE THIS FOR NOW AND COME BACK WITH SOME MORE FIGURES.

MOTION BY SCHMIDTKE, SECOND BY SIMPSON TO ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED.

MEETING ADJOURNED.